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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
53RD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

JOSEPHINE MARIE RABIOLA,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	CAUSE NO.
)	D-1-GN-13-002039
TOMAS G. ANTONINI, M.D.,)	
LONE STAR UROGYNECOLOGY)	
AND CONTINENCE CENTER,)	
PLLC, SETON HEALTHCARE)	
FAMILY, SETON FAMILY OF)	
HOSPITALS, D/B/A/ SETON)	
MEDICAL CENTER, JOHNSON &)	
JOHNSON, and ETHICON,)	
INC.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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EXPERT WITNESS TESTIMONY OF
MICHAEL THOMAS MARGOLIS, M.D.

Held at the San Francisco Marriott Marquis
780 Mission, San Francisco, California
Sunday, July 26, 2015, 9:01 a.m.

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1 mesh from a TVT-S be removed?

2 **A.** No.

3 **Q.** Impossible?

4 **A.** Nothing is impossible. It is exceedingly
5 unlikely that anyone could remove the entire body of
6 a TVT-S mesh, except if you pull it out within maybe
7 days of implantation.

8 **Q.** And why do you say that?

9 **A.** Because the TVT mesh -- TVT-S mesh, as
10 with all the meshes, their job -- what they are
11 designed to do is to set up an inflammatory
12 reaction, which causes the immune system to attack,
13 and then eventually causes scar tissue to come in
14 and set it in place.

15 That's the purpose of the mesh. That's
16 why it's -- it doesn't require stitches to hold it
17 in place. That scar tissue sets it in place.
18 That's what all of these meshes are designed to do.

19 But the scar tissue, once it forms over
20 the mesh -- again, it's like the old analogy I used
21 before, rebar, it's set in place and it locks it
22 into -- the fibrosis locks the mesh into place.

23 **Q.** Why was Dr. Antonini able to remove most
24 of the mesh and didn't remove all of it?

25 **A.** He got, as I understand, four centimeters

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2 COUNTY OF YOLO)

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8 MICHAEL THOMAS MARGOLIS, M.D.,
9 the witness in the foregoing deposition, was by me
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11 nothing but the truth in the within-entitled cause;
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